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**CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

**ON COVER PAGE AT (56) FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

"JP 5153608 6/1993" should read --JP 5-153608 6/1993--;  
"JP 10200777 7/1998" should read --JP 10-200777 7/1998--; and  
"JP 11186937 7/1999" should read --JP 11-186937 7/1999--.

**COLUMN 1**

Line 23, "extent" should read --the extent--;  
Line 24, "provides with" should read --provides--; and  
Line 55, "such the" should read --such--.

**COLUMN 2**

Line 8, "such the" should read --such--;  
Line 20, "the gray" should read --gray--;  
Line 22, "such the" should read --such--;  
Line 32, "following" should read --the following--;  
Line 47, "process" should read --processing--;  
Line 49, "process" should read --processing--; and  
Line 53, "process" should read --processing--.

**COLUMN 3**

Line 31, "an weight" should read --a weight--;  
Line 56, "in case" should read --in a case--; and  
Line 58, "case" should read --a case--.

**COLUMN 4**

Lines 33-34, "computer of AT compatible machine" should read --of the AT compatible type--; and  
Lines 36, "thought." should read --contemplated--.

**COLUMN 5**

Line 32, "an rapid" should read --a rapid--;  
Line 42, "an weight" should read --a weight--; and  
Line 63, "such the" should read --such an--.

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**COLUMN 6**

Formula (6), “ $f(i,j) = f(i,j)$  (6)” should read -- $f(i,j) = \tilde{f}(i,j)$  (6)--; and  
Line 25, “In case” should read --In the case--.

**COLUMN 8**

Line 42, “method” should read --methods--;  
Line 53, “Such the” should read --Such--;  
Line 65, “such the” should read --such--; and “or the” should read --or--.

**COLUMN 10**

Line 9, “Inkjet” should read --inkjet--.

**COLUMN 11**

Line 11, “such the” should read --such--;  
Line 50, “such the” should read --such--  
Line 57, “down ward” should read --downward--;  
Line 61, “such the” should read --such--; and  
Line 63, “that” should read --so that--.

**COLUMN 12**

Line 3, “such the” should read --such--;  
Line 49, “such the” should read --such--;  
Line 60, “such the” should read --such--; “accords to” should read --is appropriate  
to--; and  
Line 64, “of which” should read --whose--.

**COLUMN 15**

Line 35, “increases” should read --increase--; and  
Line 36, “such” should be deleted.

**COLUMN 18**

Line 42, “noised” should read --noise--.

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**COLUMN 20**

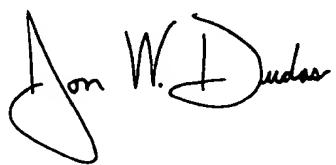
Lines 36-37, "comprising to color image data, said program comprising:" should read --said program comprising:--; and Line 41, "for step" should read --for a step--.

**COLUMN 22**

Line 36, "judgent" should read --judgment--.

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